

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION**  
**of the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress<sup>1</sup>**

<sup>3</sup> Fortron Industries is a joint venture between Ticona and Kureha Chemical of Japan. Ticona is the engineering plastics division of Celanese Corp.

HTS subheading: 2903.61.30					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Col. 1-General rate of duty <b>change</b>	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%	5.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$11,388,045	\$12,128,268	\$12,916,605	\$13,756,185	\$14,650,337
Customs revenue loss <u>1/</u>	\$512,462	\$545,772	\$581,247	\$619,028	\$659,265

1/The estimated revenue losses are based on a temporary duty reduction from 5.5 percent ad valorem to 1.0 percent ad valorem. A significant increase in imports during January-April 2005, reported in official U.S. Government statistics, may indicate that imports will increase faster than the projections shown above.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: U.S. Government statistics and industry estimates.

**Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):**

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Celanese Corp./Fortron Industries (proponent) Robert Carpenter Tel: 202-637-3469	6/22/2005	No	No	No
PPG Industries Judith Maskrey Tel: 412-434-2476	6/21/2005	Yes	Yes	Yes

**Technical comments:**<sup>4</sup>

None.

<sup>4</sup> The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

109TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1715

To reduce until December 31, 2008, the duty on PDCB (p-Dichlorobenzene).

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 20, 2005

Mr. MCINTYRE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Ways and Means

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## A BILL

To reduce until December 31, 2008, the duty on PDCB  
(p-Dichlorobenzene).

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### 3   **SECTION 1. TEMPORARY REDUCTION OF DUTY ON PDCB.**

4       (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of  
5       the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is  
6       amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following  
7       new heading:

“	9902.04.81	<i>p</i> -Dichlorobenzene (CAS No. 106–46–7) (provided for in subheading 2903.61.30) .....	1.0%	No change	No change	On or before 12/31/2008	”.
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8       (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
9       subsection (a) applies with respect to articles entered, or

- 1 withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after
- 2 the 15th day after the date of the enactment of this Act.

